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SUBJECT: MESA STUDY TEAM VISIT

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1. SOVIET COAL MINISTRY TELEPHONED TODAY TO GIVE PRELIMINARY ITINERARY FOR MESA STUDY TEAM. ACCORDING TO REF A TEAM PLANS TO ARRIVE IN MOSCOW ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, FROM FRANKFURT. REMAINDER OF SATURDAY AND SUNDAY ARE FREE. TEAM WOULD FLY TO DONETSK ON MONDAY, AUGUST 29, AND WOULD FLY BACK TO MOSCOW ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2. WHILE IN DONETSK AREA, TEAM WOULD VISIT MINES AND HAVE MEETINGS ON THEMES MENTIONED IN REF A, NAMELY, ADVANCING LONGWALL MINING TECHNIQUES, RESCUE TRAINING, AND PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT. INCLUDED WOULD BE VISIT TO MAKEYEV INSTITUTE AND TO A RESCUE TRAINING INSTITUTE. WEEKEND IN MOSCOW WOULD BE FREE FOR SIGHTSEEING UNTIL DEPARTURE.

2. GIVEN SCHEDULE OF FULL WEEK IN DONETSK, WE THINK DEPARTING ON SUNDAY RATHER THAN SATURDAY WOULD PROBABLY MAKE A MORE COMFORTABLE ITINERARY FOR THE TEAM.

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3. NEED TO KNOW URGENTLY WHERE TEAM PLANS TO PICK UP SOVIET VISAS SO THAT COAL MINISTRY CAN PROVIDE APPROPRIATE INFORMATION FOR VISA SUPPORT, WHICH IT HAS ALREADY SAID IT WILL DO.

4. WE HAVE NOT RAISED QUESTION OF WHO PAYS FOR INTERNAL

TRAVEL AND HOTEL EXPENSES AS WE HAVE ASSUMED THAT THIS
VISIT IS ON A "SENDING-SIDE-PAYS" BASIS. ON THAT
ASSUMPTION, TEAM SHOULD ACQUIRE OPEN AIR TICKETS FOR MOSCOW
TO DONETSK AND RETURN. EMBASSY BELIEVES IT WOULD BE
USEFUL BOTH TO TEAM AND TO EMBASSY TO HAVE ECONOMIC
OFFICER ACCOMPANY, AND WE PLAN TO TAKE THIS UP WITH THE MINISTRY. TOO
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